

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 8-12 and 17-24 are active in the case.

Claim 20 has been amended in order to correct a spelling error therein and Claim 23 has been amended in order to correct several typographical errors therein. None of the amendments introduce new matter into the case. Entry of the amendments is respectfully requested.

It is believed that the application is in proper condition for publication.

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